SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

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ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE OF THE PRESIDENT JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

NO. 2007-3

TEMPORARY STAY OF OPERATION OF VEHICLE CAUSING DEATH CASES

This 2nd day of August, 2007,

WHEREAS, multiple challenges have been raised in Superior Court to the constitutionality and construction of 21 *Del. Code* § 4176A, titled "Operation of a vehicle causing death; unclassified misdemeanor;" and

WHEREAS, it appears that Superior Court decisions concerning said challenges are conflicting; and

WHEREAS, the following two questions are being certified to the Supreme Court pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 41 in the case of *State v. Stephen A. Hoover, Cr. A. No. IN07-06-1155*:

- a. Is 21 Del. C. § 4176A unconstitutionally vague?
- b. Do the general liability provisions of 11 *Del. Code* § 251(b) apply to 21 *Del. Code* § 4176A?

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS DIRECTED that all criminal cases in which the defendant is charged with the offense of Operation of a Vehicle Causing Death are stayed pending the Supreme Court's determination whether to accept or refuse the

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certified questions, and, if accepted, its decision on the questions.

/s/ James T. Vaughn, Jr.
President Judge

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